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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Toshihiko Oba

Serial No: 09/673,360

Examiner: Pierre, Myriam

Filed: October 16, 2000

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For: SPEECH TRANSFORMATION  
METHOD AND APPARATUS

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated  
August 14, 2006 for a period of 3 months.

☒ Applicant:☒ claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.☐ is other than small entity.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

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- ☐ Attached is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☒ Charge Petition fee \$510 to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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